REMARKS

This paper is responsive to the final Office Action dated February 13, 2001. Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for the allowance of claims 10 and 48 - 50. Existing claims 1 and 11 - 47 have been cancelled, without disclaimer or acquiescence in the Examiner's reasons for rejection and without disclaimer to pursue in a subsequent application or otherwise.

Dependent claims 2, 4, 7, and 9 have been amended to depend from allowed claim 10 and Applicants therefore assert that pending claims 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9 are in condition for allowance as they now depend from allowed claim 10. A marked up copy of the amended claims is attached pursuant to Rule 1.121(c)(1)(ii) and for the convenience of the Examiner.

CONCLUSION

If the Examiner has any questions or concerns about the changes made herein, or otherwise, please do not hesitate to call, in order that we might help expedite the resolution of any such questions or concerns.

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- 2. (Once Amended) The method of claim [1] 10, wherein said plurality of bearer data packets comprises traffic data.
 - 4. (Once Amended) The method of claim [1] 10, and wherein said error rate level determination comprises correcting said plurality of bearer data packets and detecting a number of defective bearer data packets to obtain a current block error rate (BLER) level, and wherein said error correction algorithm determination is based on said current BLER level.
 - 7. (Once Amended) The method of claim [1] 10, wherein said error rate level determination comprises detecting a number of bit errors in said plurality of bearer data packets to obtain a bit error rate (BER) level, and wherein said error rate level determination is based on said current BER level.
 - 9. (Once Amended) The method of claim [1] 10, wherein each bearer data packet of said plurality of bearer data packets is respectively received during a time slot of said each time frame of said multi-frame, and wherein said error correction algorithm selection comprises selecting said error correction algorithm during the last time frame of said multi-frame.